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SUBJECT: The Armed Forces Policy Council

References: (a) DoD Directive 5105.3, subject as above, November 29, 1983 (hereby canceled)

(b) Title 10, United States Code

A. REISSUANCE AND PURPOSE

This Directive reissues reference (a) to update the membership, functions, and administrative support responsibility for the Armed Forces Policy Council (AFPC).

B. ORGANIZATION AND MEMBERSHIP

The AFPC, established pursuant to reference (b), shall be composed of the Secretary of Defense as Chairman with power of decision; the Deputy Secretary of Defense; the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition; the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy; the Secretary of the Army; the Secretary of the Navy; the Secretary of the Air Force; the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition; the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; the Chief of Staff, Army; the Chief of Naval Operations; the Chief of Staff, Air Force; and the Commandant of the Marine Corps. Other officials of the Department of Defense and other departments and agencies of the executive branch, as may be designated by the Secretary of Defense, shall be invited to attend appropriate meetings of the AFPC.

C. FUNCTIONS

The AFPC shall advise the Secretary of Defense on matters of broad policy relating to the U.S. Armed Forces and shall consider and report on such other matters as the Secretary of Defense may direct. The members of the AFPC shall report regularly to the AFPC on important matters of interest to the Department of Defense.

D. ADMINISTRATION

- 1. The AFPC shall meet upon call of the Secretary of Defense or upon approval by the Secretary of Defense of a request by any individual member to hold a meeting.
- 2. The Office of the Executive Secretary of the Department of Defense shall provide the Executive Secretary to the AFPC and shall arrange for such other staff assistance as may be required.
 - 3. The Executive Secretary of the AFPC shall:

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a. Assemble and prepare material on matters under consideration for use by the Chairman.

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- b. Disseminate decisions reached by the Secretary of Defense after receiving the advice of the AFPC.
- c. Take appropriate follow-through action to ensure that decisions reached by the Secretary of Defense are implemented properly, including preparation of directives, when necessary.
- d. Prepare informal notes of each meeting of the AFPC to be retained in the office of the Executive Secretary of the AFPC.
- e. Maintain and safeguard records and ensure appropriate final disposition when no longer required.

E. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Directive is effective immediately.

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